
Fiduciary Fund Types

The Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the Commonwealth in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations or other governments. The funds include Expendable and Non – Expendable Trust Funds, Pension Funds, as well as Agency Funds.

EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS:

Expendable Trust Fund – to account for various gifts, bequests or contributions held by the Commonwealth of which both principal and interest may be expended for purposes designated by the donor.

Revolving Loan Fund – to account for Federal grants, investment and interest income to be expended for loans to non-profit private entities to establish housing for individuals recovering from alcohol or drug abuse and for loans to local housing authorities.

Teacher, Principal, Superintendent Quality Endowment Fund – to account for funds to be paid to an incoming school employee signing bonus program to be administered by the Department of Education for the purpose of encouraging the best and brightest candidates to serve in public schools. This fund was repealed pursuant to Chapter 44 of the Acts of 2003, after outstanding obligations were paid. Any remaining balance will be transferred to the General Fund during FY2004.

Unemployment Compensation Fund – to account for unemployment taxes collected from employers, held by the United States Treasury in the Federal Unemployment Trust Fund, from which funds are drawn for the payment of benefits to the unemployed.

NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS:

Nonexpendable Trust Fund – to account for various gifts and bequests held by the Commonwealth, of which only the income may be expended for purposes specified by the donor.

PENSION TRUST FUNDS:

Pension Trust Funds – to account for the assets, liabilities and fund balances held in trust by the State Employees', State Teachers' Retirement Systems and the State – Boston Retirement System for the payment of retirement, disability and death benefits to members of these retirement systems.

AGENCY FUNDS:

Agency Funds – to account for cash, investments held or managed by the Commonwealth on behalf of others. These include the investments made by cities, towns and local authorities in the Municipal Depository Trust, employees' contributions to the deferred compensation plan, annuity contracts held for lottery prize winners, local option taxes collected but not yet remitted, assets held in escrow accounts by the Commonwealth's court system and human service departments, child support payments collected or receivable and not yet remitted to custodial parents, and deposits required from insurance companies and similar organizations.